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**NOTIFICATION TO EXTEND THE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS FOR DILIGENT
RECRUITMENT OF FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN IN THE FOSTER CARE AND PROBATION
SYSTEMS**

This is to notify your Board that I have used Board delegated authority to extend the five sole source contracts with Anne E. Nicoll, Ph.D., Five Acres – The Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Los Angeles County, Human Rights Campaign Foundation, Kidsave International, and The Regents of the University of California to provide enhanced recruitment of families to adopt and foster children in the care of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Probation Department, as provided in the Board Letter adopted by your Board on February 7, 2012, (see attached). This is the first of three options to extend the term of the contracts for one additional year effective September 30, 2012, through September 29, 2013, at the annual maximum cost of \$235,093.

The Diligent Recruitment contracts enable DCFS to increase resources to meet the needs of children who are deaf and hard of hearing; increase the number of adoptive families and permanent adult connections for older African-American and Latino youth and other targeted groups; increase cultural competency of staff and community partners, particularly regarding Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning youth; and increase retention of resource parents who have been involved in concurrent adoptive family planning.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (213) 351-5600, or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

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